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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

ANDREWS ET AL.

Examiner

Wen-Tai Lin

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 July 2005.
2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 21-25 and 27-54 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) 25 and 27-54 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) 21-24 is/are rejected.
7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 14 December 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 21-25 and 27-54 are presented for examination.
2. Claims 25 and 27-54 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected species, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made **without** traverse in Applicant's response filed on July 27, 2005.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claims 21-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Cheston et al. (hereafter "Cheston") [U.S. Pat. No. 6412025] and Cromer et al (hereafter "Cromer") [U.S. Pat. No. 6021493], wherein Cromer is incorporated by reference to Cheston.

5. As to claim 21, Cheston and Cromer teach the invention as claimed including a method for reacquiring an interface connection between a network and an access terminal, the method comprising:

maintaining data indicating whether current data transmittal is a first occurring data transmittal after the interface connection was reacquired [e.g., Cromer: Abstract, lines 11-16 and Fig.6A; Cheston: Abstract, lines 5-9; i.e., checking the settings for the reconnected terminal must be performed at the reception of the first occurring data transmittal after the interface connection was reacquired];

transmitting a configuration request message from a session configuration protocol process to a network peer of said session configuration protocol process on the network if said data indicates that said current data transmittal is said first occurring data transmittal [Cheston: col.2, lines 51-64]; and

preventing the access terminal from waiting on the network by allowing said access terminal to receive a configuration response message from said network peer of said session configuration protocol process on the network [e.g., Cheston: col.3, lines 53-67].

6. As to claim 22, Cromer further teaches maintaining data comprises setting a boolean flag to true if said current data transmittal is said first occurring data transmittal after the interface connection was reacquired [Figs. 4-7; col.7, line 55 – col. 8, line 63; e.g., by maintaining the status of a client being active or not, it is able to determine that if an occurring data transmittal is first received by looking at the client's state of activeness].

7. As to claims 23-24, Cromer further teaches that said preventing comprises maintaining a timer to track a time between transmitting said configuration command and receiving said completed configuration indication, and upon expiration of a specified time, the access terminal returns to an inactive state [110-118, Fig. 6A].

8. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 3 (three) months and 0 days from the mail date of this letter. Failure to respond within the period for response will result in ABANDONMENT of the application (see 35 U.S.C. 133, M.P.E.P. 710.02, 710.02(b)).

Conclusion

Examiner note: Examiner has cited particular columns and line numbers in the references as applied to the claims above for the convenience of the applicant. Although the specified citations are representative of the teachings of the art and are applied to the specific limitations within the individual claim, other passages and figures may apply as well. It is respectfully requested from the applicant in preparing responses, to fully consider the references in entirety as potentially teaching all or part of the claimed invention, as well as the contest of the passage as taught by the prior art or disclosed by the Examiner.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Wen-Tai Lin whose telephone number is (571)272-3969. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:00-5:00) .

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Follansbee can be reached on (571)272-3964. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are as follows:

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